HOUSE BILL 1841 By Turner M

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to education of English language learners.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-3-356, is amended by adding after the first sentence the following sentence:

Instruction of English language learners shall not be included in the Tennessee BEP formula as an instructional positions component, but shall be included in the formula as a classroom component.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 3, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

Section 49-3-3__. In fiscal year 2005-2006 and thereafter, there shall be included in the Tennessee BEP an amount of money sufficient to fund one (1) full-time English language learner instructional position for each twenty (20) students who are English language learners and one (1) full-time translator for each two hundred (200) students who are English language learners.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.